



WESTPORT ETNS CHRONICLE



END OF TERM SHOW

Virtual Show
Celebration of Hanukkah,
Diwali and Christmas



COMING UP

Core Value: Happiness
Aistear: The Market/The Estate Agents



Accommodation Update

Site on the Westport Woods Hotel

We are delighted to announce the location of our new temporary accommodation! In 2022, we will be moving to a vacant site on the grounds of the Westport Woods Hotel (Outbuilding to the right as you enter via the Quay Road entrance). The building initially offers two classrooms with a further two classrooms available in September 2022. This building will enable us to expand our growing school population as well as offering access to a larger yard space, swimming pool, woods and green space. Preparatory works are continuing apace so we will update you when the site is ready.

See you all on the morning of Thursday the 6th January @ 8.30 in Sharkey Hill.



A WORD FROM NIALL

As we bring this term to a close, it is lovely to look back on the work and achievements of our little learners since the start of September. Our 1st class pupils have really kicked on and extended their learning and adapted so well to the longer school day. Our infants are progressing nicely – particularly regarding socialisation and actively learning through play. It has been lovely getting to know our new families and welcoming you as new partners as we discover ethical education together. Remember, should you need any help or support, our door (or phone/email) is always open. We also look forward to Term 2 with tremendous excitement. We will be moving to our new temporary accommodation, providing more space and autonomy with school and after school activities. We will also welcome another Support teacher in the early part of the year. We look forward to continuing the Nurture and Creative journeys. Wishing the whole Educate Together Westport community a peaceful Christmas/Winter holiday period and here's to an exciting and learning adventure filled 2022!



*Some Aistear and Science Week highlights from Term 1

Thank you

Thank you to all our staff - Grace, Elisa and Kirsten for their tremendous commitment, hard work and dedication in what is a very difficult time for all school staffs nationwide. They have really answered the call in a time of national need by stepping up and supporting all the pupils of Westport Educate Together with their skill, talent, and care. Thank you also to Frank, the caretaker of Sharkey Hill. Though not a staff member, Frank goes above and beyond in his role, and we thank him sincerely.

Winter Holidays begin on 22nd Dec at 11.30am
Enjoy the Break.
We return on Thursday 06th
January at 8.30am.

CREATIVE SCHOOLS

Look at our pupils Creative group projects this month. A Rangoli made with crepe paper and a Menorah made with paper chains. Well done team! Thank you also for returning the Creative Schools Surveys.

WINTER SHOW 2021

We will send our Winter Show 2021 via email today (WeTransfer). The boys and girls put a lot of work into the show and we are very proud of their effort and output. As is now tradition, we will also share the video with two local nursing homes. Please remember that this link is for home use only and not to be shared on social media. We thank you in advance and hope you enjoy the show!

**Note the video file is 1.3GB so if watching on your phone, you may need to free up space before you download*

A WORD FROM KIRSTEN

Well, what can I say but a massive well done to the fantastic firsts this term. First class are proving to be fantastic leaders for our junior classes and are setting a great example in terms of their hard work and the kindness and care they show to others. They have really grown this term and are developing as independent thinkers and learners. They have worked really hard and it shows throughout their work and their dedication to the winter show. Well done first class. I hope you all have a well-deserved break and I look forward to seeing you next term. Nollaig Shona Daoibh.

